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Mr. Everett R. Clinchy
World Brotherhood
Hotel Tudor
304 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Everett:

With respect to your letter of August 31 I am flattered that you wish to include my comments about the proposed World Brotherhood seminars and conference along with the endorsements from such distinguished persons. I have no objection to your using them informally. However, my experience with the sinister interpretations unfriendly persons attempt to place on even the most innocuous statements by one occupying my particular position leads me to suggest that any publication of my comments might hurt, not help, the cause.

Although I realize that you would plan to use these endorsements discreetly, they do have a way of getting out, and I would certainly not like to be the cause of any embarrassment. Since you have, without me, such an impressive list of endorsers, I wonder if you would not agree that on the whole it would be better to omit my comments from the material you plan to produce?

Again, best wishes for a successful program.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

cc: DDCI

Signature Recommended:

Chief, PP

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THE ADMINISTRATIVE PRESIDENT

August 31, 1959

Mr. Allen W. Dulles
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

May I have your permission to quote two sentences from your letter to me of August 3rd? The quotation in question appears on the attached sheet along with similar quotations from Senator Lehman, General Romulo and Dr. Wriston.

It would be most helpful to us if you would permit us to use this brief general endorsement of our efforts. This material, along with letters from the President and the Vice President, will aid us considerably in enlisting the participation of distinguished persons whose presence at our coming Seminars and Conference will be indispensable to the success of the project as well as as in a few quiet fund-raising efforts which will begin very soon.

I look forward to receiving your word of approval.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Everett R. Clinchy

ERC:rcg

Enclosures.

Q U O T A T I O N S

"There is no question but that World Brotherhood, as a non-governmental organization, can make a significant contribution to the ultimate preservation of peace. From what I know of world-wide efforts by private citizens and organizations to promote peace, freedom and human dignity, the efforts of World Brotherhood are thoughtfully conceived and worthy of respect."

Allen W. Dulles

"As a participant in the remarkable discussions [at Bern] a year ago, I have a special interest in the continuation of such efforts and I can speak with conviction on the value of bringing together thoughtful people from various regions to study the existing problems and tensions and point out practical measures for increased mutual understanding."

Herbert H. Lehman

"The series of seminars and working parties leading up to a conference of distinguished and influential persons, to be held under the joint sponsorship of the University of Chicago and World Brotherhood, Inc,... carries forward the new line of development begun by World Brotherhood in the highly successful and influential conferences held in Bern, Switzerland in August 1958."

Carlos P. Romulo

"....I was on the planning group which prepared for the working party at Bern last year and was a member of the working party. The working party itself was extraordinarily successful. I have therefore become convinced that the technique developed at that time, and since refined, should now be applied to a wider area"

Henry M. Wriston

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 24, 1959

Dear Paul:

My attention has been called to the "Working Party" and Seminar on the reduction of world tensions being organized by the University of Chicago in cooperation with World Brotherhood. I recall that you kept me informed about the similar meetings held in 1958 in Bern. I was most interested in the success of those meetings and am glad to know of the continuation of these efforts.

I believe that democratic solutions to mankind's problems require private citizens to take responsibility to study, to think, to speak, and to act. If World Brotherhood, beginning with this University of Chicago project, can carry forward a program in the coming years which will promote thoughtful discussions by the most able citizens of the United States and of other countries concerning our complex international relationships, the cause of peace -- which is the cause of all nations -- will be well served.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "D-E", with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Honorable Paul G. Hoffman
c/o World Brotherhood
Hotel Tudor
304 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

August 17, 1959

Dear Mr. Clinchy:

This is just a note to thank you for your letter of August 13 bringing me up to date on the projected program of World Brotherhood to promote understanding among all peoples.

As you know, I have long supported President Eisenhower's People-to-People Program and the method which it uses as one approach to the problem of international relationships. It would seem to me that discussions such as those you are planning would be a further extension of this concept which could well make a significant contribution toward the goal of peace for which all of us are striving. Needless to say, I appreciate very much your taking the time and trouble to make your detailed program available to me.

With all best wishes for an enjoyable and productive series of seminars,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Nixon".

Richard Nixon

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